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SUBJECT: CORRECTED COPY FOR STATE 1225: ADDITIONAL ISSUES
FOR CONSIDERATION BY CORE MEMBERS OF CONTACT GROUP ON
SOMALI PIRACY

REF: A. 08 STATE 133199

[1](#)B. STATE 1223

[1](#)C. STATE 1225

SUMMARY

[1](#)1. This is an action request and corrects information provided in Ref C. Per Ref A and B, action addressees are invited to attend a coordination pre-meeting for the Contact Group on Somali Piracy (CGSP) hosted by Germany on the afternoon of January 13, 2009.

OBJECTIVES

FOR ALL ADDRESSEES:

[1](#)2. Posts are requested to notify host governments that they are invited to participate in a coordination pre-meeting for the Contact Group on Somali Piracy (CGSP) on the afternoon of January 13, 2009, hosted by Germany at The Permanent Mission of Germany to the United Nations, 871 United Nations Plaza, New York. The meeting is scheduled to take place from 1600 to 1800.

[1](#)3. It is envisioned that the meeting will start with a brief overview on the situation in the region, followed by a discussion on Contact Group structure issues. This discussion will cover Contact Group membership, decision-making, formation and leadership of working groups and the role of the Secretariat. This will be followed by a discussion on Contact Group substance issues (military, industry, judicial, financial and public diplomacy) in preparation for the next day's larger Contact Group meeting.

REPORTING DEADLINE

[1](#)4. Posts are requested to report whether the host government will attend the pre-meeting on January 13, and if the host government will sponsor the stand-up of a CGSP Working Group. Please report back no later than January [1](#)12.

BACKGROUND

¶5. The Contact Group on Somali Piracy (CGSP) will be established at an inaugural meeting on January 14 to facilitate discussion and coordinate the activities of states and organizations to suppress piracy off the coast of Somalia pursuant to United Nations Security Council Resolution 1851.

POINTS OF CONTACT

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